

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 23, paragraph [0039] beginning on line 1, the Abstract is amended as follows:

[0039] The present invention is an implant for the lumbosacral region of the spine. The implant alleviates pain and increases lumbosacral stability while being minimally invasive. The beam of the implant engages the spinous process of the L5 vertebrae to spread the mechanical load from the vertebrae through the implanted device.

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